

**RUSHVILLE CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
TUESDAY MAY 18, 2004
5:30 P.M.**

The Rushville City Board of Public Works and Safety met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., with Chris Fields and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse, and Brant Petry, WKWH.

MINUTES * * *

Minutes of the May 5, 2004 meeting were presented for approval. Pavey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * *

- Gave an update on Wilson Estates property. Has an updated appraisal on the remaining lots and is in the process of getting a second appraisal. Asked an independent engineering firm to give a recommendation and estimate the cost to alleviate the drainage issues in the development, as well as the aggravating circumstances that could impact the area, when and if future development occurs. Has not yet received a completed report.
- Attended a combined meeting with the ECDC, Chamber of Commerce and the Heart of Rushville. The purpose of the meeting was for each agency to make a presentation of their duties and set guidelines as to how each agency plans to commit to these duties. The 3 entities agreed to meet periodically to discuss issues that might arise.
- Reminded everyone of the annual Chamber luncheon Wednesday at Winkerby's.
- Will be attending the Ara's Board of Directors annual retreat on May 26 & 27th.
- Saturday, June 5th there will be a rededication of the Civil War Monument at East Hill Cemetery. We will also have a group of Civil War re-enact mentors in Rushville that day to make this rededication even more memorable. They will be using the old Graham School lot to hold the encampment. We are hoping this will grow into a yearly event.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * *

None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * *

Fire – Clark stated that they had been performing their annual fire hose test. He said 1000 feet of hose needs to be replaced.

Street – Bennett said they have gotten a good start on the sidewalk program. He will continue to accept applications through the end of June.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS * * *

Fields said a drainage tile near Intat had collapsed and has caused a sinkhole. The Mayor was already aware of the problem and is looking into the situation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * *

B & B Metal Property – Fields made a motion to approve the Order to Sell the property with 2 minor changes. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS * * *

Hire Street Department Employee – Bennett made a recommendation to the Board to hire Chas Thomas as a full time employee for the Sanitation Department. Thomas will start out at a salary of \$8.50 for the 90-day probation period. Bennett recommended Justin Lee for part time with the Street Department at a salary of \$7.00 per hour. Fields made a motion to hire both Thomas and Lee. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. Fields seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER